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For: MICROORGANISMS AND PROCESSES FOR  
ENHANCED PRODUCTION OF  
PANTOTHENATE

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.